

REMARKS

Claims 6 and 9-17 are pending in the application, with Claims 6, 12 and 14 being the independent claims. Claims 6, 9-11, 14 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Smethers (U.S. Patent No. 6,560,640 B2) in view of Mintz (U.S. Patent No. 6,250,930 B1).

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

It is gratefully acknowledged that Claims 12, 13 and 15 are allowed, and Claim 16 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Regarding the rejection of Claim 6, the Examiner cites Mintz at col. 6, lines 49-64 for the proposition that Mintz teaches launching of multiple browsers. Applicant respectfully disagrees. Furthermore, Smethers, Mintz, or any combination thereof, failed to teach or reasonably suggest all of the recitations included in independent Claims 6 and 14.

In the last reply the Applicant argued: "Mintz nowhere describes creating or providing a bookmark list with bookmarks associated with various browsers," since this "would only result in providing Smethers with the ability to provide an enhanced email message with embedded multimedia inclusions using e-Logic Authoring and Editing Engine, where a Web Command Launcher would provide centralized control of multiple web-browser windows embedded with the enhanced e-mail message." The Examiner noted that this argument neglects the point he has attempted to make concerning Mintz in which he states Mintz supports a variety of file formats and the term "browser" (Claim 6) or even "WEB browser" (Claim 17) reads upon the way that the embedded objects, such as those in MS Office format, can carry instructions at least in the form of filename extensions that direct the proper opening and rendering of their respective content that is indicated by the remainder of the object address. Applicant respectfully submits that the Examiner is incorrect.

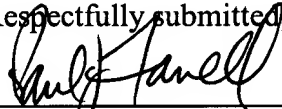
The Examiner's rebuttal is tenuous at best. The premise that Mintz supports a variety of file formats has no relationship with the term "browser" or "WEB browser". A browser, short for Web browser, is a software application used to locate and display Web pages. The two most popular browsers are Netscape Navigator and Microsoft Internet Explorer. Both of these are graphical browsers, which means that they can display graphics as well as text. In addition, most modern browsers can present multimedia information, including sound and video, though they require plug-ins for some formats. A browser is a software application whereas carrying out instructions is a function. The Examiner's premise does not support the conclusion; therefore, the rationale is fatally flawed. (See <http://www.webopedia.com>). Applicant respectfully submits that there are missing claimed features not taught or suggested by the cited references, for example independent Claim 6 recites, in part, selecting one of a plurality of bookmarks from a bookmark list, wherein each bookmark includes a URL (Uniform Resource Locator) field for saving an address of an Internet resource and a browser ID field for saving a browser ID used to select a corresponding browser from the plurality of browsers capable of browsing the Internet resource having a unique protocol, and independent Claim 14 recites, in part, a memory for storing a bookmark frame including a browser ID (identification) field and a URL (Uniform Resource Locator) field on a bookmark list.

Thus independent Claims 6 and 14 have been erroneously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Accordingly, the Examiner fails to establish a prima facie case for an obviousness rejection.

Accordingly, Claims 6 and 14 are allowable over Smethers, Mintz, or any combination thereof. While not conceding the patentability of the dependent claims, *per se*, Claims 9-11 and 17 are also allowable for at least the above reasons.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 6 and 9-17, are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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